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E.O. 11652:
TAGS: OVIP ENRG MX
SUBJECT: PROPOSED TRAVEL BY FEA ADMINISTRATOR
FOR THE CHARGE
1. FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATOR FRANK G. ZARB IS CONSIDER-
ING A POSSIBLE VISIT TO MEXICO MAY 19-22. HE WOULD HOPE
TO MEET WITH LEADING ENERGY OFFICIALS -- PATRIMONY
SECRETARY ALEJO, PEMEX DIRECTOR DOVALI AND OTHERS OF
EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATION -- AND TO DISCUSS RESPECTIVE
NATIONAL ENERGY POLICIES AND PROGRAMS. VISIT WOULD BE
LOW KEY AND INFORMAL WITHOUT ANY PRESS STATEMENT OR PRESS
CONFERENCE.
2. BEFORE PASSING ON THE PROPOSED TRAVEL, WE WOULD
APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON THE RECEPTIVITY AND USEFULNESS OF
THE EXPLORATORY VISIT. WE WISH TO BE ASSURED T;AT EMBASSY
COULD HANDLE THE VISIT IN A WAY THAT WOULD NOT RPT NOT
RAISE MEXICAN SENSITIVITES ABOUT THE APPEARANCE OF AN
ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE MEXICAN PETROLEUM POLICY AT THIS
JUNCTURE.
3. DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS THAT TRIP BY ZARB COULD BE USE-
FUL INITIATIVE SINCE HE IS WELL AWARE OF MEXICAN SENSI-
TIVITIES AND WOULD HANDLE HIMSELF ACCORDINGLY. BUT KEY
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QUESTION, OF COURSE, WOULD BE THE ANTICIPATED ATTITUDE

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